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VOTERS FAVOR BONDS FOR NEW SCHOOLHOUSE

The majority of voters casting their ballots at the election of a new schoolhouse. The details of the vote will not be obtainable until after the directors meet and canvass the ballots, which will be within seven days after the election.

For a school election the vote was considered a fair average and interest in the result quite general.

Plans for the schoolhouse will be considered after the board takes action on the result of the election.

ORMAN STONE ILL

Orman Stone, a counter clerk at the Western Union, is afflicted with an attack of typhoid fever from which he has been suffering for about two weeks. He is being cared for at the home of Mrs. Shults, at Carter, with whom he makes his home. Dr. Edward Bowes is attending him and he is getting along well, with every promise of an early recovery. With the two sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Smith, who have typhoid, this makes the third case here at this time.

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BREAD-EATING COLT Sired by Great Racer

That slender built bald-faced colt that walked into lunch rooms recently and ate sliced bread off the counters, provided the slices were liberally sprinkled with salt, is no common scrub of a cayuse—not on both sides of the family. He was sired by no other than Black Eagle, a famous running horse of Phoenix, and can split the wind in no puny way himself. Such he has proven in racing up, down around the smooth red flat made by the Tom Reed tailings, getting over the ground in half the time in which the same could be done by any other hoofed animal in Oatman or environs.

Though lean, slender and a bit scrawny the age of the little fellow is betrayed by its mature eye and "horsified" expression of countenance. Being about the size for four or five months, he, in reality, is ten months old. His diminutive size is accounted for mostly by that of his mother, which is a slight strawberry roan, is a 650-pound desert pony driven to an Oatman express wagon.

After feeding up well at a lunch counter on bread the little racer was led over to a popcorn machine and cleaned up a pile of bursted grains that had been spilled on the ground. A loose saddle horse had been there a few minutes before doing the same service and after eating plenty went its way.

Other seal-coated horses in Oatman, which are so glossy as to look as if fed grain, are, in reality, bread eaters, which food has the same effect.

It is a matter of general remark how well the freight horses and mules of this country look. They are very sleek and fat, as a rule, a credit to the men who drive and care for them.

TWO SONS OF FAMILY HAVE TYPHOID FEVER

The two sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Smith are ill with typhoid fever. This is a double situation of affliction and a cause of concern on the part of the parents, when one so seriously afflicted would be more than enough for their attention.

Both children normally are of unusual health and vitality, hence every hope for their safe and speedy recovery, is held out by the physician in charge and confidence is entertained by the family. It is thought to be a plain case of germ infection by means of flies.

BOY IS ARRESTED FOR PETTY THEFTS

One of Sheriff Lane's deputies arrested Stanley Sherman last evening for a number of petty thefts committed recently. He confessed and the sheriff has a large collection of articles which the boy obtained from the different houses he entered. Among the articles are watches, revolvers and pieces of jewelry.

The youth also had about 150 keys of different kinds which he has used in getting into the residences entered. He says that he was entirely alone in all of the jobs. He is only about 14 years of age.

FLOOD TEARS UP STREETS AND MANY PLACES ARE FLOODED

From the appearance of the main streets of the towns of Oatman, Mazona and Old Trails yesterday a visitor would think he had been wrongly informed if told that this was a quartz camp. It resembled a very active hydraulic proposition. The cloudburst of Friday evening tore up the main streets of the three towns from end to end and washed out places as much as four feet deep, filling others with huge boulders several feet in height.

The flood concentrated itself into the street below the United Eastern dump and seemed to defy all efforts to turn it aside into its former natural channel. It was a raging torrent at the upper end, no less than 2 feet deep in the center and widening across the street. It gathered volume as it went down and a few feet down in the steep grade below the Bank of Oatman, near the home of Dan Haskins, it cut a ditch measuring four feet in depth, but narrow.

From there on down it commenced to move boulders from a few pounds in weight to several hundred pounds and at Old Trails one boulder that would weigh easily a ton was moved diagonally across the street. Hundreds of them that would weigh from 500 to 1000 pounds were rolled along by the water as fast as could have been done by a dozen hydraulic giants.

A couple of light buildings near the rear of the Walsh building were moved a few feet from their foundations. The water washed all around the tent-house formerly occupied by the Oatman News, the first printing office in Oatman, and tore up the road from the ditch mentioned above to the Tom Reed tailing dump, which was cut up by large and small ditches in a thousand ways. It could not break into the thoroughfare again until it came to the upper end of Mazona and there only on account of a torrent from some side gulches at first. A couple of hundred yards further down however, the whole river from Oatman and several such gulches from the southeast surged in with rocks, timbers, boxes, cans and fine debris from the tailing dump.

At the rear and side of the Mazona garage three partly dismantled autos were standing. They are now buried to the axles, with boulders and tailings. On the east side of the street for the rest of the distance down buildings were flooded and everything not movable was covered or partly covered by the same unwelcome material. A lot of damage was done to the Higan lumber company yards and the blacksmith shop near it. Just below there the whole torrent took to the street and washed it out full width for three feet in depth, down to the original wash, and vehicles have to climb a sand bank to get out of it.

The old rough and rocky patch of road leading into the town of Carter was improved by the debris filling the depressions. The Ryan avenue bridge turning out of the highway to the east was damaged by a ditch being cut through the east approach. The highway was covered with debris for about 100 yards beyond and then for 300 yards made smoother and better than before.

Here begins the town of Old Trails. The road now is a low gravel bed for about 150 yards curving out to the west. Before it was a high and straight grade, almost a boulevard. There is a difficult climb to get onto what is left of the grade below there and for 200 yards this grade is unharmed and like it was before. From that on down for about one-third of a mile what once was a well graded and smooth highway is nothing but variegated masses of boulders and gullies, with many deep ditches. There is a deep cut around the postoffice, another above the Old Trails plunge, and a deeper one still in front of the townsite office, perhaps three feet in depth. In front of the Lexington-Arizona office and for quite a distance the torrent took out about a third of the street and left a smooth passage for cars to easily pass each other.

V. S. Rowley, manager of the townsite, and scores of other men, several in his employ and others working in front of their own property, were at work yesterday smoothing the street, removing boulders and making the road as passable as they could under the circumstances. While the road looks rough Mr. Rowley states that it is deceiving and the damage will not amount to as much as one would suppose at first glance. The road through Old Trails cost, it is said, close to \$3,000 to build, but he says he can put it back in better condition than before for \$1,000. This, his company will do at once and it is planned to do much better by excavating a storm ditch in the former

channel to the east of the highway to carry off surplus water hereafter.

One of the items of damage was the breakage of water pipes. They were torn asunder everywhere, but before the rain had ceased falling Mr. Rowley had a force of men out renewing connections and making repairs. All were connected up by nightfall.

One large tent-house was moved several rods, its location being near the Old Trails blacksmith shop. All the houses in the path of the storm had quantities up to many tons of rocks and debris washed against them and a few were flooded.

It is believed that the water in the center of the channel was three feet deep. It went down the street like a wall and this was followed up by a constant torrent for over an hour that would almost carry a horse off its feet.

John Moore, whose residence is at Old Trails, has lived in this vicinity for years. He says it was the worst flood in 14 years.

Perhaps the worst damage in Oatman was in the store of Polin Brothers. It is in a semi-basement with no protection against a flood and the water came in to a depth of 18 inches. Louie Polin estimates the damage at \$200. This was most in the loss of cigars, tobacco, and sundries in show cases and under shelves and other merchandise in a locker. An amusing feature of the young catastrophe was to see Louie with a pail wading to the back end of his store knee-deep baling and packing the water into the street, only to have the same identical water beat him back into the store. The humor of the event caused a crowd to gather and josh him while he was working so earnestly.

A lake collected in the gulch above the rear of Lovin and Withers' store and threatened great damage. The force of clerks braved the storm and opened a passage for the water to save the order department in the basement. Some water got in and did slight but not serious damage.

Otto Ketelson's hardware store suffered damage by a cave-in in the rear. The Oatman candy kitchen was flooded with water several inches deep. The Mission dining room was swamped and put out of business for the evening. The boarders had to look elsewhere for their evening meal.

The Oatman hotel suffered considerable damage from debris and threatened cave-in. W. K. Smith of the St. Francis hotel said the damage to that hotel was just \$3.50, which was expended for help in sweeping and cleaning. This slight harm was the result of his foresight in excavating a flood ditch several weeks ago.

The Dairy lunch room was flooded from the rear and considerable loss done. The same happened to the Oatman Auto Supply store in a basement. Three inches of water came in with a rush from the rear when least expected. Some \$75 worth of batteries were on the floor and had to be gathered up and placed out of reach of the flood quickly. Very few got wet.

The cloudburst seemed to be confined to an area just east of town and east of the Tom Reed, Combination and Telluride. At Goldroad there was a rain but nothing in the nature of a cloudburst. There was no damage there. The new grade of the Kingman road over the Goldroad hill was untouched, so it is reported here, except by an ordinary rain that did more good than harm.

REGISTRATION OF VOTERS SOON TO END

Following is the registration of voters of the various parties up to and including Saturday last:

Democrats	1837
Republicans	533
Socialists	151
Non-partisan	78
Progressive	7
Prohibition	4

Total 2610
Registration will close on September 1, and will be closed 17 days, or until the 18th of the month. It will close for the general election 20 days before November 7.

BACK FROM COAST

G. R. Franklin, manager of the Arizona Engineering company, arrived home from a trip to the coast yesterday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Franklin and made the trip from Los Angeles in about 24 hours' running time. On the run to Los Angeles he covered the distance in 20 hours' running time.

Mr. Franklin reports that he enjoyed a fishing trip to the Sespe river, near Fillmore, where the trout were plentiful and easy to catch.

BULLION SHIPMENT

The Tom Reed mine recently shipped \$65,000 worth of bullion, which represents a month's clean-up. The product has been greatly increased since ten additional stamps have been employed.

FOUR MORE DAYS FOR VOTERS TO REGISTER

Only four days remain in which voters may register for the primaries taking place September 12, the books closing September 1. While it is known that the vast majority of local voters have long since registered, it is urged by registrars that the few who have not yet done so not longer delay. Forgetfulness and circumstances taking them away, coupled with procrastination, are the triple thieves of time and opportunity to rule the country as only the people can do it. Letting the trio take away the opportunity gives the rule over to a much criticised minority, so argue the registration officials who want to see a heavy vote and to let the people govern.

H. M. Caswell, registrar for Oatman, now has approximately 750 names on his rolls. There were 250 registered by his predecessor and 500 by himself. A very few of those will vote elsewhere, some at Times and a few at Old Trails. There are known to be more to register here, so that when allowance is made for those to vote elsewhere but who have registered here for the purpose, which the law permits, there will still be 750 entitled to vote at the Oatman primaries.

One fallacy entering the minds of some persons is upon the question of what to them is an unexpectedly large registration here. It is assumed that many of the people of Oatman are from Nevada recently and not entitled to vote. While that is the case to quite an extent there also are many, more than most persons imagine, who are from other parts of Arizona, who are entitled to vote and have registered for the purpose. Mr. Caswell is best in position to judge this matter. He says the number of the latter class is surprisingly large.

The totals to date of Old Trails and Goldroad are not given herewith, not being included in the 750, but will be given at the closing of the books.

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EXCELLENT ORE IN THE VICTOR COPPER

Chris Vogt, one of the owners of the True Blue mine of the Victor Copper company, was in Kingman yesterday. He reports that the tunnel is now in 160 feet and has been run on the vein a distance of 15 feet in splendid copper ore. Assays of the ore taken across the breast of the drift gave excellent values in gold, silver and copper.

The claims constitute one of the best looking propositions in the Wallapai mountains. The veins are large and well defined and everyone carries values in copper. A tunnel could be run to cut them at a great depth and at small expense. Wood and water can be obtained on the property.

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